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at Tirana, and that the repudiation inflicted on the authors of the proposed "reforms" demonstrates that divergent opinions exist among the Soviet "counsellors" as well as within the Albanian Government. [REDACTED]

Relations between TCHOUVAKIN (Soviet Minister at Tirana) and General GLEBOV (representing the NKVD) had seemed rather strained in the recent past, and that Tchouvakin appears now to be remaining in Moscow.

[REDACTED] the Five Year Plan, although announced late in the autumn of last year, has not yet been published.

All of these fragmentary indications showed [REDACTED] that at the end of a particularly difficult winter the Albanian Government, shaken by internal crisis arising out of peasant misery, has not all succeeded in regaining an equilibrium that had been no better than precarious.

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